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In re the Application of: ) Customer No. 27717  
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Serial No. 09/824,621 ) Art Unit: 3714  
Filing Date: April 2, 2001 ) Examiner: Corbett B. Coburn  
For: Method and Apparatus for Controlling )  
Access to Areas of Gaming Machines )  
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JANUARY 28, 2010 OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the January 28, 2010 office action mailed by  
the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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